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ACCESSION NUMBER: 97308260 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 97308260 PubMed ID: 9165486  
TITLE: Membrane depolarization in LA-N-1 cells. The effect of  
maitotoxin is Ca(2+)- and Na(+)-dependent.  
AUTHOR: Sorrentino G; Monsurro M R; Singh I N; Kanfer J N  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Institute of Neurological Sciences, Faculty of Medicine,  
2nd University of Naples, Italy.  
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199-211.  
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AB We investigated the influence of ion compositions on the membrane  
**potential** in LA-N-1 human neuroblastoma cells using bisoxonol as a  
**potential-sensitive fluorescent dye**. The  
ability of K+, **ouabain**, veratridine, and maitotoxin to induce  
membrane depolarization was evaluated. Increasing concentrations of K+  
ions from 10 to 50 mM caused a dose-dependent increase of bisoxonol  
fluorescence, which was completely independent on Na+ and Ca2+.  
**Ouabain** (5 mM), an inhibitor of the Na+, K(+)-ATPase, failed to  
induce membrane depolarization. Veratridine (40 and 100 microM), a Na+  
channel activator, only in the presence of 10 micrograms of Leiurus

scorpion venom reduced the membrane **potential**. Maitotoxin (MTX) from 3 to 10 ng/mL depolarized LA-N-1 cells in a dose-dependent manner, and produced a rapid and sustained. . . Na<sup>+</sup> ions also seem to be, although only partially, implicated in the MTX effects, since both the blockade of tetrodotoxin (TTX)-**sensitive voltage**-operated Na<sup>+</sup> channels and the removal of Na<sup>+</sup> ions were able to reduce the depolarization. In conclusion, our data indicate that the depolarizing **action** of MTX on LA-N-1 cells is Ca(2+)- and Na(+)-dependent, although the latter only partially, and that this effect is dependent on Ca<sup>2+</sup> influx into the cells likely through a **voltage**-insensitive calcium-entry system.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 96419791 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 96419791 PubMed ID: 8822549  
TITLE: Propagation of action potentials in the dendrites of neurons from rat spinal cord slice cultures.  
AUTHOR: Larkum M E; Rioult M G; Luscher H R  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Physiology, University of Bern, Switzerland.  
SOURCE: JOURNAL OF NEUROPHYSIOLOGY, (1996 Jan) 75 (1) 154-70.  
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AB 1. We examined the propagation of **action potentials** in the dendrites of ventrally located presumed motoneurons of organotypic rat spinal cord cultures. Simultaneous patch electrode recordings were made from the dendrites and somata of individual cells. In other experiments we visualized the membrane **voltage** over all the proximal dendrites simultaneously using a **voltage-sensitive dye** and an array of photodiodes. Calcium imaging was used to measure the dendritic rise in Ca<sup>2+</sup> accompanying the propagating **action potentials**. 2. Spontaneous and evoked **action potentials** were recorded using high-resistance patch electrodes with separations of 30-423 microm between the somatic and dendritic electrodes. 3. **Action potentials** recorded in the dendrites varied considerably in amplitude but were larger than would be expected if the dendrites were to. . . passive cables (sometimes little or no decrement was seen for distances of > 100 microm). Because the amplitude of the **action**

**potentials** in different dendrites was not a simple function of distance from the soma, we suggest that the conductance responsible for the boosting of the **action potential** amplitude varied in density from dendrite to dendrite and possibly along each dendrite. 4. The dendritic **action potentials** were usually smaller and broader and arrived later at the dendritic electrode than at the somatic electrode irrespective of whether. . . occurred at the dendrite or soma or as a result of spontaneous synaptic activity. This is clear evidence that the **action potential** is initiated at or near the soma and spreads out into the dendrites. The conduction velocity of the propagating **action potential** was estimated to be 0.5 m/s. 5. The **voltage** time courses of previously recorded **action potentials** were generated at the soma using **voltage** clamp before and after applying 1 microM tetrodotoxin (TTX) over the soma and dendrites. TTX reduced the amplitude of the **action potential** at the dendritic electrode to a value in the range expected for dendrites that behave as passive cables. This indicates that the conductance responsible for the actively propagating **action potentials** is a Na<sup>+</sup> conductance. 6. The amplitude of the dendritic **action potential** could also be initially reduced more than the somatic **action potential** using 1-10 mM QX-314 (an intracellular **sodium channel blocker**) in the dendritic electrode as the drug diffused from the dendritic electrode toward the soma. Furthermore, in some cases the **action potential** elicited by current injection into the dendrite had two components. The first component was **blocked** by QX-314 in the first few seconds of the diffusion of the **blocker**. 7. In some cells, an afterdepolarizing **potential** (ADP) was more prominent in the dendrite than in the soma. This ADP could be reversibly **blocked** by 1 mM Ni<sup>2+</sup> or by perfusion of a nominally Ca<sup>2+</sup>-free solution over the soma and dendrites. This suggests that the back-propagating **action potential** caused an influx of Ca<sup>2+</sup> predominantly in the dendrites. 8. With the use of a **voltage-sensitive dye** (di-8-ANEPPS) and an array of photodiodes, the **action potential** was tracked along all the proximal dendrites simultaneously. The results confirmed that the **action potential** propagated actively, in contrast to similarly measured hyperpolarizing pulses that spread passively. There were also indications that the **action potential** was not uniformly propagated in all the dendrites, suggesting the possibility that the distribution of Na<sup>+</sup> **channels** over the dendritic membrane is not uniform. 9. Calcium imaging with the Ca<sup>2+</sup> fluorescent indicator Fluo-3 showed a larger percentage change in fluorescence in the dendrites than in the soma. Both bursts and single **action potentials** elicited sharp rises in fluorescence in the proximal dendrites, suggesting that the back-propagating **action potential** causes a concomitant rise in intracellular calcium concentration...

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ACCESSION NUMBER:	92333334	MEDLINE	
DOCUMENT NUMBER:	92333334	PubMed ID: 1378490	
TITLE:	Maitotoxin-induced intracellular calcium rise in PC12 cells: involvement of dihydropyridine-sensitive and omega-conotoxin-sensitive calcium channels and phosphoinositide breakdown.		
AUTHOR:	Meucci O; Grimaldi M; Scorziello A; Govoni S; Bergamaschi S; Yasumoto T; Schettini G		
CORPORATE SOURCE:	Department of Human Communicative Sciences, II School of Medicine, University of Naples, Italy.		
SOURCE:	JOURNAL OF NEUROCHEMISTRY, (1992 Aug) 59 (2) 679-88. Journal code: 2985190R. ISSN: 0022-3042.		
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AB . . . calcium concentration and are always associated with an increase of the free cytosolic calcium level. We tested the effects of **voltage-sensitive calcium channel blockers** (nicardipine and omega-conotoxin) on maitotoxin-induced intracellular calcium increase, membrane depolarization, and inositol phosphate production in PC12 cells. Maitotoxin dose dependently. . . fluorescent probe fura 2. This effect disappeared in a calcium-free medium; it was still observed in the absence of extracellular **sodium** and was enhanced by the dihydropyridine calcium agonist Bay K 8644. Nicardipine inhibited the effect of maitotoxin on intracellular calcium. . . was reduced by pertussis toxin pretreatment. Maitotoxin caused a substantial membrane depolarization of PC12 cells as assessed by the fluorescent **dye** bisoxonol. This effect was reduced by pretreating the cells with either nicardipine or omega-conotoxin and was almost completely abolished by. . . in a calcium-free EGTA-containing medium. The findings on maitotoxin-induced cytosolic calcium rise and membrane depolarization suggest that maitotoxin exerts its **action** primarily through the activation of **voltage-sensitive calcium channels**, the increase of inositol phosphate production likely being an effect dependent on calcium influx. The ability of nicardipine and omega-conotoxin to inhibit the effect of maitotoxin on both calcium homeostasis and membrane **potential** suggests that L- and N-type calcium **channel** activation is responsible for the influx of calcium following exposure to maitotoxin, and not that a depolarization of unknown nature causes the opening of calcium **channels**.

L4 ANSWER 3 OF 5 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 3  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 91109787 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 91109787 PubMed ID: 2177149  
TITLE: Bretylium causes a K(+)-Na+ pump activation that is independent of Na+/H+ exchange in depolarized rat, mouse and human lymphocytes.  
AUTHOR: Tron L; Pieri C; Marian T; Balkay L; Emri M; Damjanovich S  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Biomedical Cyclotron Laboratory, University Medical School of Debrecen, Hungary.  
SOURCE: MOLECULAR IMMUNOLOGY, (1990 Dec) 27 (12) 1307-11.  
Journal code: 7905289. ISSN: 0161-5890.  
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AB We have studied a bretylium tosylate induced increase of the membrane **potentials** of partially depolarized rat, mouse and human lymphocytes, using the **potential sensitive dye**, bis [1,3, dibutylbarbituric acid-(5) trimethine oxonol]. The extent of this repolarization is dose-dependent and decreased in magnitude as the temp was reduced from 37 degrees C to room temperature. The repolarizing effect is inhibited by K(+)-Na(+)-pump **blockers** or lack of extracellular Na+. **Sodium ion channel blockers** are effective in abolishing repolarization only if applied prior to, or simultaneously with, bretylium. Activation of Na+/H+ exchange is not. . . is completely eliminated in the presence of 10 microM amiloride (concn of the diuretics having no measurable inhibition on the **action** of the exchanger). These data suggest that bretylium opens ligand- and **voltage-gated Na+ channels**

, and repolarization occurs due to higher activity of the K(+)-Na(+)-pump stimulated by the enhanced intracellular Na<sup>+</sup> accumulation.

L4 ANSWER 4 OF 5 MEDLINE on STN  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 89138590 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 89138590 PubMed ID: 2852172  
TITLE: Optical recording of electrical activity from axons and glia of frog optic nerve: potentiometric dye responses and morphometrics.  
AUTHOR: Konnerth A; Orkand P M; Orkand R K  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Max-Planck-Institute of Biophysical Chemistry, Göttingen-Nikolausberg, Federal Republic of Germany.  
CONTRACT NUMBER: NS 07464 (NINDS)  
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SOURCE: GLIA, (1988) 1 (3) 225-32.  
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AB **Voltage-sensitive dyes** were used to study the changes in membrane **potential** in axons and glial cells of the frog optic nerve following electrical stimulation. The lack of a signal in the unstained nerve and the multiphasic **action** spectra after staining indicated that the optical responses were from the extrinsic **dyes**. Changes in **dye** absorption and fluorescence had rapid and slow phases. The rapid phases resulted from **action potentials** in myelinated and unmyelinated axons. The kinetics of the slow phase of the optical response were similar to the depolarization. . . with intracellular electrodes. The ratio of the amplitudes of the fast and slow phases was characteristic for each type of **dye**. Pharmacological analysis of the **action potential** of the unmyelinated axons revealed tetrodotoxin-sensitive **sodium channels** and 4-aminopyridine-sensitive **potassium channels**. Repeated exposure of the stained preparation to light led to photodynamic damage as shown by a **block** of recovery of the glial depolarization. An electron microscopic morphometric study of the nerve was carried out in an effort. . . membrane was much greater than was the ratio of the fast and slow components of the signal, suggesting that the **dyes** either had a higher affinity for glial membrane or did not penetrate the nerve uniformly.

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TITLE: The effects of some organic 'calcium antagonists' on calcium influx in presynaptic nerve terminals.  
AUTHOR: Nachshen D.A.; Blaustein M.P.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Dept. Physiol. Biophys., Washington Univ. Med. Sch., St Louis, Mo. 63110, United States  
SOURCE: Molecular Pharmacology, (1979) 16/2 (579-586).  
CODEN: MOPMA3  
COUNTRY: United States  
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030 Pharmacology  
002 Physiology  
008 Neurology and Neurosurgery  
LANGUAGE: English

AB The **actions** of the organic 'Ca antagonists' verapamil and D-600 were tested on pinched-off presynaptic nerve terminals (synaptosomes) from rat brain, and. . . was measured in control media, and in depolarizing media containing either 75 mM potassium or veratridine; an alkaloid that opens **sodium channels**. The extra uptake induced by depolarizing media appears to be mediated by **voltage-sensitive Ca channels**. Synaptosome depolarization was indirectly determined with the **voltage-sensitive fluorescent dye**, di-pentyl oxacarbocyanine. Verapamil or D-600 (100  $\mu$ M) inhibited the K<sup>+</sup>-induced <sup>45</sup>Ca uptake by about two thirds, but had no effect on the K<sup>+</sup>-induced synaptosome depolarization; this inhibition of Ca uptake is, presumably, due to **block** of **Ca-channels**. Veratridine-induced <sup>45</sup>Ca influx was more than 80% inhibited by verapamil or D-600 (100  $\mu$ M), and veratridine-induced depolarization was almost completely **blocked**. These observations indicate that **Na channels** as well as **Ca channels** are inhibited by verapamil and D-600. Recordings of miniature end-plate **potentials** were used to evaluate the **actions** of verapamil and D-600 at the frog neuromuscular junction, after miniature end-plate **potential** frequency had been made **sensitive** to changes in the bathing Ca concentration by raising the external K<sup>+</sup>. Miniature end-plate **potential** frequency was not affected by verapamil (40-50  $\mu$ M) or D-600 (10  $\mu$ M) but was significantly reduced by Mn<sup>2+</sup> (0.2 mM), a known **blocker** of **Ca channels**. Although verapamil and D-600 appear to be very potent antagonists of Ca currents in heart and smooth muscle, we conclude that **Ca channels** in vertebrate neurons are much less **sensitive** to these drugs.

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